

REMARKS

The Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above amendment and reconsideration in view of the amendment and the following remarks.

The above amendments do not address issues of patentability and Applicants respectfully reserves all rights they have under the Doctrine of Equivalents.

New claim 11 is a linking claim, it claims the product of the process of claim 1, and thus, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn.

In response to the objection to the specification that in lines 3-4 "comprises" should be --includes--, the description has been amended above.

In response to the objection to the specification that "appropriate headings should be used throughout the instant specification", applicant respectfully declines to add headings because they are not required by the statute or rules, and could be inappropriately used in interpreting the specification.

In response to the rejection of claims 3-5 under 35 USC 112, 2nd ¶, as being indefinite, it is clear that the errors in the claims do not render them indefinite.

More specifically, in claim 3, the location of the "R₃" and "O" in the "Z" group was clearly just a printer formatting problem and those skilled in the art would have recognized the error and understood the claim as previously amended in view of the specification to be the same as the above amended claim 3.

With regard to claims 4 and 5, although "formed by" is not the conventional Markush language, those skilled in the art would understand the claim, so it is not indefinite under 35 USC 112, 2nd ¶.

Applicant requests that the examiner withdraw the rejection of claims 4 and 5 under 35 USC 112, and provide a proper objection so

that applicant can amend the claims without raising issues of patentability.

The claims are definite and distinguished from the citations and Applicant respectfully requests the allowance of all claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fee (except the issue fee) including fees for any required extension of time, to Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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